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SUBJECT: CHINA WILL NOT OPPOSE IRAN PRESIDENCY AT UNDP

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Classified By: Political Minister Counselor Aubrey Carlson.
Reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

[1](#)1. (C) China will not oppose Iran's candidacy to be President of the UNDP Executive Board, MFA International Organizations and Conferences Department Economic Division officer Tang Mengxiao told PolOff January 9 in response to U.S. concerns raised by PolOff January 8 (reftels). According to Tang, "Who will be President of the UNDP Executive Board is the decision of the Asia Group at the UNDP, and China will not be able to change the decision." Randt